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## Oilseeds and Products

## Oilseeds and Products Annual

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**Report Highlights:**

Post forecasts increased palm oil production in 2003/2004 due to entry into production of new trees, higher producer prices, improved security situation in producing areas and good rains in the past year. In 2003, total oil exports increased because of a rise in refined palm oil exports spurred by improved export prices. Also, total oil imports increased due to large imports of crude palm oil to supplement domestic supply. Total oil meal exports fell due to halt in cottonseed meal production resulting from occupation of the production zone by insurgent forces.

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### Executive Summary

Post forecasts palm oil production to increase in 2003/2004 due to entry into production of new trees, higher producer price, improved security situation in producing areas and good rains in the past year. The successive increases in the producer price of palm nut bunches from 20 F CFA/kg in 2001 to the current level of 28.50 F CFA/kg since the first semester of 2003 were a morale booster for farmers. Also, the entry into full production of 26,000 HA of replanted trees is expected to contribute significantly to increased production. While the halt in hostilities and commitment to the peace process by the warring factions have improved the security situation in producing areas. In 2002/2003, insecurity was the main cause in the fall in palm oil production. The seizure of the processing factories in Neka and Iboke in the southwest by rebel forces and the flight of farmers from their farms caused an estimated drop of about 25,000 to 30,000 MT of palm oil production.

Total oil exports increased in 2003 due to the increased palm oil exports spurred by improved export price. Total vegetable oil exports in 2003 were 82,425 MT compared to 68,612 MT in 2002. Palm oil exports account for about 95 percent of total oil exports in 2003. Palm oil exports were 78,199 MT compared to 65,023 MT in 2002. Refined palm oil exports to neighboring countries remain the main export product and were 74,745 MT in 2003 compared to 51,523 MT in 2002.

Total oil meal exports fell due to halt in cottonseed meal production resulting from the insurgent forces occupation of the production zone. Trituraf, the only cottonseed meal processing firm, situated in Bouake and under rebel control, remained closed for a greater part of 2003. Exports in 2003 were 1,334 MT compared to 35,274 MT in 2002. Total oil meal imports remained small in 2003 and were about 1,538 MT compared to 422 MT in 2002. The 2003 imports comprised Soybean meal (788 MT) from Brazil (320 MT), Netherlands (114 MT) and Belgium (354 MT); and cotton meal (750 MT) all from Benin.

Total oil imports increased in 2003 due to large imports of palm oil to supplement domestic supply. Total oil imports in 2003 were 67,636 MT as against 16,363 MT in 2002. Imports of crude palm oil in 2003 were 58,844 MT compared to 4,750 MT in 2002. Refined palm oil imports in 2003 were only 691 MT compared to 2,084 MT in 2002. Other vegetable oil imports of significance in 2003 were rapeseed oil, 859 MT against 1,615 MT in 2002; refined sunflower oil, 1,226 MT against 1,908 MT in 2002; olive oil, 2,032 MT in 2003 against 2,172 MT in 2002; refined soybean oil, 855 MT against 368 MT in 2002.

Exchange Rate: U.S. \$1:00 = 521 F CFA on February 2, 2004.

# PSD Table

Country						
Commodity						
Oil, Palm						
	2002 USDA Official [Old]	Revised Post Estimate [New] 10/2002	2003 USDA Official [Old]	Estimate Post Estimate [New] 10/2003	(1000 HA)(1000 TREES)(1000 MT) 2004 USDA Official [Old]	Forecast Post Estimate [New] 10/2004
<b>Market Year Begin</b>						
Area Planted	197	196	210	198	0	200
Area Harvested	184	170	190	190	0	194
Trees	26864	24820	26900	26900	0	28324
Beginning Stocks	1	1	1	1	0	1
Production	276	234	280	310	0	330
MY Imports	40	53	20	5	0	4
MY Imp. from U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
MY Imp. from the EC	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL SUPPLY	317	288	301	316	0	335
MY Exports	99	71	86	85	0	90
MY Exp. to the EC	18	1	18	5	0	6
Industrial Dom. Consum	76	68	75	72	0	75
Food Use Dom. Consump.	141	148	140	158	0	170
Feed Waste Consumption	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	217	216	215	230	0	245
Ending Stocks	1	1	0	1	0	0
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	317	288	301	316	0	335
Calendar Year Imports	0	60	0	6	0	5
Calendar Yr Imp. U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calendar Year Exports	0	78	0	80	0	85
Calndr Yr Exp. to U.S.	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Export Trade Matrix Country Commodity

Oil,  
Palm

Time Period

Units:

Exports for:

**2003**

U.S.

U.S.

Others

Others

U.K.	7070	Guinea	2257
Niger	34508	Niger	35858
Mali	5620	Mali	3941
Ghana	6346	Ghana	16366
Senegal	2613	Senegal	14365
Togo	2777	Togo	2288
Burkina Faso	2903	Burkina Faso	2670

Total for

61837

77745

Others

Others not

Listed

Grand Total

65023

78199

# Import Trade Matrix Country Commodity

Oil,  
Palm

Time Period

Units:

Imports for:

**2003**

U.S.

U.S.

Others

Others

Indonesia	4750	Indonesia	43187
Malaysia	1520	Malaysia	16084
Singapore	564	Singapore	198

Total for

6834

59469

Others

Others not

Listed

Grand Total

6834

59535

## Other Trade Data

### Meal Exports (MT)

	2002	2003
Cotton Meal	30,638	0
Coconut Meal	3,370	1,296
Palm Kernel Meal	1,329	38
	35,273	1,334

### Vegetable oil Exports (MT)

	2002	2003
Palm oil	65,023	78,199
Coconut oil	2,626	3,781
Palm Kernel oil	210	132
Cotton oil	28	0
	67,887	82,112

### Prices

	2002	2003
Palm Fruit	27.30 F CFA/kg	28.50 F CFA/kg
Domestic		
Crude Palm oil/1	270 F CFA/kg	280 F CFA/kg
Refined Palm oil	865 F CFA/kg	800 F CFA/kg
Export		
Crude Palm oil/1	310 F CFA/kg	320 F CFA/kg
Refined Palm oil/2	315 F CFA/kg	340 F CFA/kg

1/ Price to domestic refiners based on the Rotterdam price less freight and insurance.

2/ The average Malaysia RBD palm oil for 2002 and 2003 converted to F CFA. (West African prices are usually based on Malaysia plus insurance and freight).